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FOR : PEPTIDES AND METHODS FOR

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COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 10, 2006

NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN
THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)
AND TRANSMITTAL OF VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION)

CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS

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This Communication is submitted in response to the February 10, 2006 Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. The March 10, 2006 Notification, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, provides two (2) months for filing a response. Therefore, a response to the February 10, 2006 Notification is due April 10, 2006. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

The February 10, 2006 Notification Notice indicates that the oath or declaration is unsigned. In response, applicants submit hereto as **Exhibit B** a signed Declaration and Power of

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Attorney pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.497(a). In compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.63, the Declaration refers to the application's above-identified serial number and filing date.

In addition, applicants attach hereto as Exhibit C a Verified Statement (Declaration) Claiming Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. §1.9(f) and §1.27(d) in connection with the aboveidentified application signed by authorized official Gonzalo Merino on behalf of The Trustees of Columbia University in the City of New York. Accordingly, applicants are entitled to pay the declaration surcharge at the amount established for small entities, i.e. \$65.00.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone them at the number provided below.

No fee, other than the \$65.00 declaration surcharge, is deemed However, if any additional fee is authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

certify that correspondence is being deposited this date with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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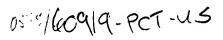
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Date Mailed: 02/10/2006

NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 06/09/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 06/09/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 06/09/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 06/09/2005
- Biochemical Sequence Diskette filed on 06/09/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 06/09/2005
- Biochemical Sequence Listing filed on 06/09/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 06/09/2005
- Copy of references cited in ISR filed on 06/09/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 06/09/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 06/09/2005
- Power of Attorney filed on 06/09/2005
- Specification filed on 06/09/2005
- Claims filed on 06/09/2005
- Abstracts filed on 06/09/2005
- Drawings filed on 06/09/2005
- Paper nucleotide sequence listings filed on 06/09/2005
- Paper Computer Listings filed on 06/09/2005

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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

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- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath
 or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the
 missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

• \$130 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.

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